

**ABSOLUTE RATING:** Good  
**IMPROVEMENT RATING:** Excellent

Number of high schools with students similar to ours: 39. The absolute ratings for those schools ranged from unsatisfactory to excellent. For the improvement ratings, the range was from unsatisfactory to excellent.

(Definitions of School Rating Terms on Page 4)

### RATINGS OVER A 4-YEAR PERIOD

	Absolute Rating	Improvement Rating
<b>2001</b>	Good	Excellent
<b>2002</b>		
<b>2003</b>		
<b>2004</b>		

### TENTH GRADE PASSAGE OF ONE OR MORE SUBTESTS OF THE EXIT EXAM

	Our School			Schools With Students Like Ours		
	1999	2000	2001	1999	2000	2001
• Passed all 3 subtests	63.6	63.6	67.0	60.3	63.0	65.7
• Passed 2 subtests	18.5	19.8	18.9	20.2	18.5	17.1
• Passed 1 subtest	13.3	10.2	8.4	12.0	11.5	10.5
• Passed no subtests	4.6	6.4	5.7	7.5	6.9	6.7

<b>ELIGIBILITY FOR LIFE SCHOLARSHIPS</b>	Our School	Schools With Students Like Ours
% of seniors eligible for LIFE Scholarships	10.6%	16.7%
% of seniors who met the SAT requirement	11.1%	17.7%
% of seniors who met the grade point average	34.8%	46.6%

Beginning in 2003, the graduation rate for each high school will be included in the school rating.

### PERFORMANCE BY STUDENT GROUPS

Seniors			
Student Group	Exit Exam Passage Rate by Spring 2001	Eligibility for LIFE Scholarships	Graduation Rate
<b>All students</b>	92.7%	10.6%	N/A until 2003
Students with disabilities other than speech	76.5%	N/A	
Students without disabilities	94.2%	10.6%	
<b>Gender</b>			
Male	92.8%	9.5%	
Female	92.5%	11.4%	
<b>Ethnic Group</b>			
African American	84.7%	2.5%	
Hispanic	100.0%	40.0%	
White	97.3%	15.5%	
Other	100.0%	0.0%	
<b>Lunch Status</b>			
Free/reduced-price lunch	85.1%	3.0%	
Pay for lunch	96.7%	14.5%	

### STUDENTS IN CAREER AND TECHNOLOGY COURSES

Mastering core competencies	78.7%
Completers placed	93.2%
Eligible students enrolled	58.6%

## SCHOOL PROFILE

### INDICATORS OF SCHOOL PERFORMANCE

	Our School	Change from Last Year	Schools with Students Like Ours	Median High School
<b>SCHOOL</b>				
• Dollars spent per student	\$4,661	N/A	\$5,302	\$5,668
• Prime instructional time	90.8%	Down from 91.3%	89.5%	90.1%
• Student-teacher ratio	31.0 to 1	N/A	24.6 to 1	25.1 to 1
<b>STUDENTS (n=1,006)</b>				
• Advanced Placement/ Int'l Baccalaureate Program Exam Success Ratio	71.4%	N/A	38.9%	40.0%
• Attendance rate	95.7%	Down from 95.8%	94.9%	95.3%
• Retention rate	10.3%	Up from 7.1%	10.6%	10.0%
<b>TEACHERS (n=60)</b>				
• Professional Development days per teacher	6.3 Days	No change	7.6 Days	7.5 Days
• Attendance rate	95.8%	Down from 96.3%	95.6%	95.7%
• Teachers with advanced degrees	60.0%	Up from 55.4%	45.9%	49.4%
• Continuing contract teachers	93.3%	Up from 87.5%	79.2%	81.0%
• Teachers with out-of-field permits	0.0%	No change	2.7%	3.0%
• Teachers returning from the previous school year	93.0%	Down from 94.5%	84.7%	85.2%
• Average teacher salary	\$40,133	Up 6.6%	\$37,487	\$38,125

### SCHOOL FACTS

	Our School	Change From Last Year	Schools with Students like ours	Median High School
<b>SCHOOL</b>				
• Dropout rate	1.0%	Down from 3.0%	3.5%	2.9%
• Percentage of expenditures spent on teacher salaries	60.0%	N/A	57.4%	56.4%
• Principal's years at the school	19.0	N/A	4.0	3.0
• Percent of parents attending conferences	75.6%	N/A	61.2%	60.1%
• Opportunities in the arts	Good	N/A	Excellent	Excellent
<b>STUDENTS</b>				
• Older than usual for grade	8.5%	Up from 7.6%	10.1%	10.1%
• Suspended or expelled	53	N/A	33	29
• Gifted and talented	8.2%	Down from 16.3%	8.2%	7.4%
• With disabilities other than speech	16.8%	Up from 15.4%	10.8%	10.7%
• Career/technology students in co-curricular organizations	4.6%	N/A	6.4%	4.5%
• Enrollment in career and technology center courses	589	N/A	449	350
• Career students participating in work-based experiences	29.0%	N/A	29.0%	23.1%



## PRINCIPAL'S / SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL REPORT

Clinton High School offers a comprehensive curriculum to approximately 1,000 students in grades 9 – 12. Our students body comes from the city limits of Clinton and the rural areas of southern Laurens County. 17.4 percent of our students receive special services, 17 percent are enrolled in advanced placement and college-level courses, and 2 percent are completers in our career and technology programs.

In March of 1998, we took part in a five-year review by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools (SACS), renewing our membership status. In the summer of 1999 Clinton High School was named a Flagship School of Promise. In the 2000 – 2001 school year our school received an "All Clear" rating from the State Department Education.

Our students excelled in academics and athletics last year. Seven sophomores achieved perfect scores on at least one part of the South Carolina Exit Exam. Twenty-one seniors qualified for Life Scholarships. Our varsity football team won the conference championship and played for the upper-state championship. Our Beta Club was recognized as a national service award winner. Art students were invited to exhibit their works at the South Carolina State Museum.

During the 2000 – 2001 school year a few areas were identified needing attention. These include providing assistance with and improving technology, offering a wider range of classes, and controlling access to the building.

Clinton High School provides a safe environment to prepare students to be productive citizens. We have many learning opportunities for our students regardless of their career goals. Academic success and participation in school activities are values that are reinforced by our faculty and staff.

A.Keith Bridges

### EVALUATIONS BY TEACHERS AND STUDENTS

Percent	Teachers	Students	Parents
Satisfied with learning environment	84.4	62.7	(Avail. 2002)
Satisfied with social and physical environment	95.3	76.2	
Satisfied with home-school relations	70.0	88.6	

### DEFINITIONS OF SCHOOL RATING TERMS

**Excellent** – School performance substantially exceeds the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

**Good** – School performance exceeds the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

**Average** – School performance meets the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

**Below Average** – School is in jeopardy of not meeting the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

**Unsatisfactory** – School performance fails to meet the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

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**Grades** 9-12 High School

**Enrollment:** 1,006 Students

### Principal

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### Superintendent

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### Board Chair

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## THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

Annual School  
Report Card

**2001**

School Grade:  
Excellent



### South Carolina Performance Goal:

By 2010, South Carolina's student achievement will be ranked in the top half of the states nationally. To achieve this goal, we must become one of the five fastest improving systems in the country.

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